

DUTCH TROOPS GAIN OFFENSES

In The Day's News

WEATHER
Max. (July 27) 66 Min. 44
Precipitation, midnight, Saturday
to midnight, Sunday 45
Monday 30
Last year 14.18 Normal 12.50
Forecast: Partly cloudy.

The Herald and News

By FRANK JENKINS

JAMES FORRESTAL, our new secretary of national defense, says this morning that unifying the army and navy under one head is the "most decisive step in the formulation of a national military policy" since the republic was born.

He thinks it will "cost more in the beginning," but will justify itself by getting us more defense for our money—which would be something. We've never got much in the past for the military money we've spent in time of peace.

FORRESTAL adds ("laconically," the newsmen report): "The biggest job ahead of me today is to GET PEOPLE."

"That is always the big job. We have a hazy notion that in war tanks and planes and ships and guns are the hot stuff. We have a similar notion that in industry fancy machines are what make the clock tick.

These notions are far off the beam. The right kind of people with the right kind of brains are what keep the world going forward instead of backward.

WE learn from this morning's dispatches that the Kansas City vote frauds, about which nothing has been done yet, have been put away in the ammunition box for the 1948 political wars. The Republican leaders plan to use them, the correspondents report, as horrible examples of what the Democrats do when in power.

THE record of the Democratic party in the handling of corrupt political machines hasn't been good. But it is just as well to keep in mind that if the Republicans stay in office too long, with TOO MUCH POWER, they'll be doing things just as bad.

Too much power in too few hands too long is good government's greatest menace.

DISPATCHES from Lake Success (U.N. headquarters) tell us today that a far-reaching decision may come tomorrow on the Balkan problem and with it a test of United Nations' powers for effective action in the peaceful settlement of disputes.

The particular point involved is the American proposal to set up an international "watch dog" commission to handle the troubles that are developing along the northern border of Greece.

Russia and her stooges (Yugoslavia, Albania and Bulgaria) may balk at that and take the situation into their own hands. That would spell trouble.

WE might as well find out now whether U.N. will work or won't work in a pinch.

If you go out hunting with a gun you think is loaded and meet a peevish bear and find your gun won't shoot you're in a bad way—probably worse off than if you had no gun. In that event, you'd have been more careful to keep out of the bear's way.

THE Dutch (at least according to their story) capture the rich coal area of the Indonesian island of Sumatra, and at the same time move to open the long-closed ports of the island of Java to world trade.

In this ruckus, which is basically similar to our colonial situation that led up to the Revolutionary war, we can't help sympathizing with the Indonesian people. Still, if the Indonesians go on living like they obviously want to live, how much foreign commerce (rubber, oil, etc.) will they produce? The modern world craves rubber, tin, oil, coal and such in vast quantities.

What we call progress has its problems.

ASTORIA fishermen are reporting the arrival of a fabulous run of tuna. Lower Columbia canneries say deliveries so far are close to the previous record-breaking season in 1944.

All this comes at a time when new red meat scarcities appear to be approaching at a gallop. Maybe there is such a thing as manna from the sky—only in this case it would be fish from the sea.

The only fly in the ointment is the announcement that tuna are selling as high as \$480 a ton, which is getting a little high.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

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Forrestal Lauds Military Policy

Highway Accidents Injure Six

Half a dozen persons were injured, none seriously, in highway auto accidents over the week-end, and as a result of one of the collisions a three-car affair that tied up traffic on the Merrill road for two hours—a Malin farm employee is resting in the Klamath county jail.

He is Ray Willard Beem, 33, who is charged with taking and using an automobile without consent of the owner. Beem was said to have been the driver of a truck which struck two autos near Mac's store late Saturday night. The truck belonged to John Derra of Malin, Beem's employer. Beem was arrested today at Malin.

The two cars involved were sedans driven by Carlos Leyva of Sprague River and John Patrick of Tulelake.

State police said that the truck, allegedly operated by Beem, tried to pass the Leyva car, sideswiped the rear of it and then crashed head-on with the Patrick machine.

The driver of the truck left the scene of the accident on foot, without identifying himself.

John Patrick, Richard Maxwell of Tulelake and Howard Huntman, a Post Lewis soldier on leave, were all taken to Hillside hospital and released after treatment. Maxwell had a broken ankle and Patrick a chest injury and cuts about his body.

Occupants of the Leyva car were not hurt. The truck caught fire after the accident but the blaze was quickly extinguished.

Another accident took place at Hatfield on the state line road about 1:30 a. m. Sunday, and it was very similar to the one on a Merrill highway. A sedan collided with a truck and the driver of the sedan bolted after the accident. He still has not been located.

In the truck were Harold Ray, (Continued on Page 10, Column 5)

Armed Bandit Robs Grocery

An unmasked holdup man pulled an armed robbery at the Cox grocery, 432 Commercial, early Sunday morning and escaped with about \$45 in currency and silver, a check for \$5.92 and a paper sack containing \$5 and \$6 worth of small change.

The man was waiting at the door of the grocery when Mrs. Herbert Cox arrived to open for business yesterday. He went inside when the door was unlocked.

Mrs. Cox asked if she could help him and the man said: "Yes, give me all the money in the till."

He drew a pistol from his pocket and ordered Mrs. Cox to keep her eyes lowered while she took the money out of the cash drawer and handed it to him. Then, ordering Mrs. Cox to turn around and face the back of the store, the stick-up man walked out.

Mrs. Cox called police as soon as the bandit had left the store, but a search of the neighborhood failed to turn him up.

She described the man as being between 30 and 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, weighing approximately 150 pounds, wearing a dark brown suit, brown hat and brown gloves.

Injured Rider Packed Out Of Woods



The top picture shows a group of trail ride members packing George Hillis, who was injured in a fall from his horse, out of the rugged country above Lake o' the Woods where the accident occurred. The bottom picture was snapped at Four Mile lake, where a local plane picked up the injured man and flew him to the hospital in Klamath Falls.



—Pictures by Laton Sleight

Action On Balkans Near

LAKE SUCCESS, July 28 (AP)—A consensus of delegates indicates that a far-reaching decision may come tomorrow on the Balkan problem, and with it a test of the United Nations' powers for effective action in the peaceful settlement of disputes.

The U. N. security council prepared to convene at 3 p. m. (EDT) today, delegates said they anticipated a vote tomorrow, or not later than Thursday, on an American proposal to set up an international "watch-dog" commission over the Balkans.

The vote on the plan will climax a week-long fight between Russia and the United States over the Balkan problem, which was brought to the council by Greece and resulted initially in an inquiry into Balkan border incidents.

Injured Man Flown To Hospital After Accident

By JOY BIGGS
George W. Hillis, Klamath Falls business man, injured Sunday on the two-day Skyline trail ride, was brought to Four-Mile lake by a stretcher constructed by his companions, where he was picked up by plane and flown to Klamath Falls. Hillis resides at 810 Eldorado.

An ambulance waiting at the airport rushed the patient to Hillside where X-rays showed he had incurred five broken ribs and a fractured pelvis.

Hillis' horse reared as he climbed into the saddle knocking Hillis against a tree before he was thrown free. The accident, the only one on the Sheriff's posse ride, occurred Sunday morning about 11 o'clock. The troop of 42 riders had started the homeward journey, after spending the night camping on the shores of Island lake, about 6000

Lifetime Pass Given Tiny Tot

COPENHAGEN, July 28 (AP)—The Copenhagen Tramway company has given a lifetime pass today to the one-day-old son of Lt. and Mrs. K. Olsen of Copenhagen.

The child was born on one of the company's street cars.

ASSEMBLY
PORTLAND, July 28 (AP)—The 23rd annual general assembly of the Railroad Yardmasters of America will open tonight and 500 members are expected before the final business meeting Wednesday.

Mrs. Truman To Be Buried At Quiet Ceremony Today

GRANDVIEW, Mo., July 28 (AP)—Mrs. Martha Ellen Truman, daughter of a Missouri pioneer farmer and mother of the nation's president, will be buried this afternoon on a shaded knoll in Kansas—the town where she was born 94 years ago.

The ceremony will be simple and private, as the mother and her devoted son, Harry S. Truman, had previously agreed. The funeral services, beginning at 3 p. m., CST, in Mrs. Truman's plainly furnished living room, were for the family alone.

Gunman Tells Of Nervous Nights Spent Getting Courage For Holdup

PORTLAND, July 28 (AP)—A gunman who police said told of walking the streets for three nights and drinking to nerve himself to rob money for a return to Michigan was held today under \$8500 bail.

An alert taxi driver tipped off police after two sisters were robbed and wounded in a scuffle with a gunman Saturday night.

No Resistance Shown By Java Port Defenders

BATAVIA, Java, July 28 (AP)—Dutch military headquarters announced today sweeping new successes in Eastern Sumatra, reporting the capture virtually intact of vital coal and oil regions more than 100 miles from the jumping off point of Dutch troops at Palembang.

The advances were announced as The Netherlands navy ordered the Java ports of Cheribon, Probolinggo and Banjoevangi opened immediately to normal trade in an effort to get great stores of captured raw materials moving to world markets.

In two separate communiques, the Dutch announced that they had captured the rich Sumatra oilfield town of Batoeraja, 80 miles southwest of Palembang, and the important Boekit Assam coal mines, 20 miles further to the Southwest.

City Seized
Batoeraja was seized intact without resistance, the announcement said, and asserted that the occupation of the Shell and Standard Oil holdings there was being consolidated. The attitude of the remaining oilfield personnel "seems favorable," the bulletin added.

The Dutch said they had captured large quantities of arms in the South Sumatra operations, but said the retreating Indonesians had burned several villages to the ground on the road to Sekajop, some 62 miles northwest of Palembang.

Midway on the southwest coast of Sumatra, near Padang, a small Dutch amphibious force was reported to have captured a republican battery on Banked by which had been harassing Dutch shipping.

Both refugee ships were sponsored by Haganah, Jewish underground organization, in a new campaign to smash the British blockade barring Jewish immigration to the Holy Land.

The first ship to arrive today was the 300-ton motor-powered caïque "Return to Zion"—originally named the Lusitania—loaded with 396 immigrants whom Jewish sources said had come from a North African port. The vessel carried a sign reading "Haganah Ship" and flew the Star of David.

934 passengers, who included 122 children and 71 women, were transferred quickly to British deportation ships, singing the Hatikvah—national Jewish anthem—as they walked the necessary 100 yards along a pier.

Four men and a woman, the first passengers to be removed, refused to board and were carried off by troops of the British 5th airborne division.

Most of the passengers, said to be chiefly oriental Jews, were young and most were in rags. Many were barefooted.

Hotel Yields Second Body

SUSANVILLE, July 28—Searchers uncovered a second body in the basement of the fire-ravaged Mt. Lassen hotel late Saturday, that of James Daugherty, night clerk, and closed their probe of the debris of the building which burned Thursday.

Previously the body of Joe Munckitrick, bootblack and night porter at the Mt. Lassen, was uncovered. Both Mt. Lassen and Daugherty had rooms in the basement of the three-story building.

Daugherty's body lay near the door of his room, and was not badly burned. It is believed he died of suffocation and then was buried under tons of masonry and burned timbers when the building collapsed.

Strawberries Get Bigger, Yet

It must be a good year for strawberries. A picture of Elmer Balsiger with huge, luscious strawberries grown in his garden, which appeared recently in The Herald and News, prompted Mr. and Mrs. William W. Abbey to pick a box of berries from their garden at 1715 Oak.

The berries are from plants which were set out this spring. They are everbearing, but Mr. and Mrs. Abbey do not know the exact variety. As to taste, they are sweet and flavorful.

Two In Hospital After Lakeview Shooting Fray

LAKEVIEW, July 28—A man and woman are hospitalized in Lakeview today and the woman's husband is held in the Lake County jail as a result of a shooting fray three miles north of town early this morning.

Mrs. Lillie Lee was shot three times, in the shoulder, leg and abdomen, and is considered in a critical condition, and another man, as yet unidentified, has a bullet hole in his wrist. Robert E. Lee, 32, admitted the shooting and voluntarily gave himself up to Lake County Sheriff Hank Cassidy.

The shooting took place at 5:55 a. m. north of Lakeview on highway 395, when Lee followed his wife and her companion out of town, crowded their pickup truck off the road and fired into the car. He put two shots into the right side of the truck and two into the left, and when Mrs. Lee and the man jumped out and ran he fired more shots at them, Sheriff Cassidy said.



Donald Baker claimed the nine o'clock spotlight this morning while he was working at street repairs on Eleventh street.

9 o'clock Special